

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please replace the paragraph (Abstract) beginning at page 17, line 1 with the following rewritten version:

ABSTRACT

~~With a fan and an air conditioner in which a centrifugal fan having an impeller and a scroll casing is disposed inside a unit casing having a unit intake port, the intake air distribution at an scroll intake port of the scroll casing is improved.~~ An air conditioner (1) ~~comprises~~ includes a centrifugal fan (3) and a unit casing (2) that houses the centrifugal fan (3). The centrifugal fan (3) includes an impeller (31a to 31d) and a scroll casing (32a to 32d) that houses the ~~each~~ impeller (31a to 31d). The unit casing (2) has a unit intake port (2a) that opens in a direction crossing an opening direction of a scroll intake port (34a to 34d). At a circumferential portion of the scroll intake port (34a to 34d) of the scroll casing (32a to 32d), there is formed a bulged portion (61a to 61d) ~~whose~~ with an inner surface that is formed evenly in a circumferential direction and ~~whose~~ an outer surface portion ~~far~~ formed away from the unit intake port (2a) ~~is formed such that it~~ bulges out to a side opposite the impeller.